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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 12.

TUESDAY, 7TH APRIL, 1964.

1. The House met, at half-past two o'clock p.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker (the Honorable Sir John McLeay) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. ROYAL BIRTH—REPLY TO JOINT ADDRESS OF CONGRATULATION TO HER MAJESTY THE QUEEN.—Mr. Speaker informed the House that he had received from His Excellency the Governor-General the following reply by Her Majesty the Queen to the Joint Address presented on the occasion of the birth of a son:—
“ I have received with much pleasure the joint address from the Members of the Senate and the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Australia assembled in Parliament. Please convey to them the sincere thanks of my husband and myself for their congratulations on the birth of our third son and for the assurance of their loyalty.
ELIZABETH R.”
3. DEATH OF GENERAL DOUGLAS MACARTHUR.—Sir Robert Menzies (Prime Minister) referred to the death on the 5th April of General Douglas A. MacArthur, Supreme Commander of the Allied Forces in the South-West Pacific during the last war, and spoke with gratitude of the outstanding services which General MacArthur had rendered to Australia.
Mr. Calwell (Leader of the Opposition) supported the remarks of the Prime Minister.
4. QUESTIONS.—Questions without notice were asked.
5. PAPER.—The following paper was presented, pursuant to statute—
Public Works Committee Act—Twenty-eighth General Report of the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works.
6. MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL—ASSENT TO BILL.—A message from His Excellency the Governor-General was announced informing the House that His Excellency, in the name and on behalf of Her Majesty, had assented to the following Bill:—
26th March, 1964—Message No. 5—Social Services 1964.
7. TASMANIA GRANT (GORDON RIVER ROAD) BILL 1964.—The order of the day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the question, That the Bill be now read a second time—
Debate resumed.
Question—put and passed.—Bill read a second time.
Message from the Governor-General.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of message No. 6, dated 5th March, 1964, from His Excellency the Governor-General recommending an appropriation of revenue for the purposes of the Bill.
Leave granted for third reading to be moved forthwith.
On the motion of Mr. Swartz (Minister for Repatriation), the Bill was read a third time.
8. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That orders of the day Nos. 2 to 9, government business, be postponed until a later hour this day.
9. CUSTOMS TARIFF, CUSTOMS TARIFF (CANADA PREFERENCE), CUSTOMS TARIFF (NEW ZEALAND PREFERENCE) (NO. 1) AND CUSTOMS TARIFF (PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA PREFERENCE) BILLS 1964.—The House, according to order, resolved itself into a committee of the whole for the further consideration of the Bills.

(In the committee.)

Customs Tariff Bill 1964—
First Schedule debated and agreed to.
Second Schedule debated and agreed to.
Third Schedule—
Progress to be reported, and leave asked to sit again.

The House resumed; Mr. Lucock reported accordingly.
Ordered—That the House will, at a later hour this day, again resolve itself into the said committee.

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10. MEAT INDUSTRY BILL 1964.—The order of the day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the question, That the Bill be now read a second time—
Debate resumed.
Debate adjourned (Mr. Gibbs), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.

11. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Adermann (Minister for Primary Industry) moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at twenty-six minutes to eleven o'clock p.m., adjourned until to-morrow at half-past two o'clock p.m.

PAPERS.—The following papers were deemed to have been presented on the 7th April, 1964—

By command of His Excellency the Governor-General—

Treaties—Texts of—

- (1) Protocol of 1st August, 1963, for the prolongation of the International Sugar Agreement of 1958.
- (2) Exchange of Notes dated 4th September, 1963, between Australia and Indonesia constituting an agreement for the extension of the 1959 Trade Agreement.
- (3) Agreement dated 23rd and 27th September, 1963, between Australia and the United Kingdom for the Exchange of Money Orders between Nauru and the Gilbert and Ellice Islands.
- (4) Exchange of Notes dated 22nd October, 1963, between Australia and the United States of America for the amendment of the 1960 Agreement on Space Vehicle Tracking and Communications.
- (5) Exchange of Notes dated 3rd December, 1963, between Australia and India constituting an agreement for Aid in the Defence of India.
- (6) Exchange of Notes dated 24th December, 1963, between Australia and Laos constituting an agreement concerning the Foreign Exchange Operations Fund for Laos.
- (7) Exchange of Notes dated 27th and 30th December, 1963, between Australia and Southern Rhodesia constituting an agreement for the Continued Application as between Australia and Southern Rhodesia of the 1955 Trade Agreement between Australia and the Federation of Rhodesia and Nyasaland.
- (8) Exchange of Notes dated 3rd January, 1964, between Australia and the United States of America constituting an agreement relating to a Joint Research Programme for the purpose of studying aero-space disturbances and their effect upon radio communications.
- (9) Exchange of Notes dated 31st January, 1964, between Australia and Italy constituting an agreement relating to Assisted Migration.

Pursuant to statute—

Commonwealth Banks Act—Appointment Certificate—A. R. Twemlow.

Customs Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1964, No. 39.

Customs Act and Commerce (Trade Descriptions) Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1964, No. 43.

Explosives Act—Explosives Regulations—Order—Berthing of a vessel.

Jury Exemption Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1964, No. 44.

Lands Acquisition Act—Land, &c., acquired for—

Defence purposes—Canungra, Queensland.

Postal purposes—Hamilton, Victoria.

Navigation Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1964, Nos. 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38.

Public Service Act—

Appointments—Department—

Prime Minister—D. W. Moss, R. A. J. Wilkins.

Treasury—M. MacRae, G. Sterns.

Works—L. G. Singleton.

Regulations—Statutory Rules 1964, Nos. 40, 41, 42.

Public Service Arbitration Act—Determinations—Public Service Arbitrator—1964—

No. 21—Professional Officers' Association, Commonwealth Public Service and others.

No. 22—Vehicle Builders Employees' Federation of Australia.

No. 23—Australian Third Division Telegraphists and Postal Clerks' Union.

Nos. 24 and 25—Commonwealth Public Service Artisans' Association.

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except Mr. Allan, Mr. Barnard, Mr. Bryant, Mr. Hallett, Mr. Johnson, Mr. McEwen and Mr. O'Connor.

A. G. TURNER,
Clerk of the House of Representatives.